# RESOLUTION NO. 00 - 141- 77 of the QUINAULT BUSINESS COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Quinault Business Committee is the recognized governing body of the Quinault Indian Nation under the authority of the Quinault Indian Nation's Constitution adopted on March 22, 1975, during a General Council Meeting, and

WHEREAS, the Quinault Indian Nation desires to improve and enhance the economic and social well-being of its people through improved water quality, and

WHEREAS, the Quinault Indian Nation has an opportunity to receive funds for the purpose of carrying out Tribal Water Quality programs and studies to evaluate and improve water quality on the Quinault Reservation, now,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Quinault Business Committee will submit an application for federal assistance from the Environmental Protection Agency under Section 106, Clean Water Act, for the sum of \$60,000.00. A five per cent match will be provided by the Quinault Indian Nation.

Pearl Capoeman-Baller, President Quinault Business Committee

#### CERTIFICATION

As Secretary of the Quinault Business Committee I certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Quinault Business Committee at Taholah, Washington, on the

AGAINST. day of Helingery, 2000, by a vote of 6 FOR and 6

Margie Valdillez, Secretary
Quinault Business Committee

### QUINAULT BUSINESS COMMITTEE SIGN OFF SHEET FOR

RESOLUTION NO. <u>00 - 141 - 77</u>

Pearl Capoeman-Baller, President	Edward Johnstone, Jr. 3rd Councilman
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Lawrence Hall Jr., 2 <sup>nd</sup> Councilman	Jelmany 1, 2000 Date (Day, Month, Year)

implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act (40 CFR 1501.7 and 1508.22).

DATES: Oral and written comments will be accepted at public meetings to be held on January 28, 1999, 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Written comments should be received on or before February 1, 1999.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District Office, Board Chambers (2nd floor), 15428 Civic Drive, Victorville, California. Comments should be addressed to Diane Noda, Field Supervisor, Fish and Wildlife Service, 2493 Portola Road, Suite B, Ventura, California 93003. Written comments may be sent by facsimile to (805) 644-3958.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Denise Washick, Fish and Wildlife Biologist, at the above address (telephone 805-644-1766).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### **Project Description**

The High Desert Power Plant Project is located on a 25-acre parcel in the northeast corner of the Southern California International Airport, formerly part of George Air Force Base, in the City of Victorville, San Bernardino County, California. The project site is bordered by Perimeter Road on the east, Southern California International Airport taxiways to the west, abandoned bunkers adjacent to Phantom Street on the south, and existing evaporation ponds on the north. The project site is located in Section 24, Township 6 North, Range 5 West. The site has been previously graded and leveled.

The High Desert Power Project, Limited Liability Company (lead project proponent), and others propose to construct and operate a 680- to 830megawatt natural gas-fueled electricity generation power plant on a 25-acre site located in the northeast corner of the Southern California International Airport. In addition to the power plant, an additional 24 acres, which is currently graded, will be used as a staging area. The project includes the construction of 7 water extraction wells within the Mojave River watershed. The linear facilities associated with the project include a 7-mile electrical transmission line; a 3.5-mile natural gas pipeline; and construction of 2 water pipelines with pipeline #1 measuring 2.5 miles and pipeline #2 measuring 6.5 miles. These linear facilities are all to be constructed within private lands.

As part of the project, the High Desert Power Project, Limited Liability

Company, proposes to prepare a habitat conservation plan to be submitted to the Fish and Wildlife Service as part of an application for an Endangered Species Act incidental take permit for the desert tortoise, Mohave ground squirrel, and burrowing owl. The latter two species would be listed on the permit with a delayed effective date. Should these species be listed under the Federal Endangered Species Act in the future, the permit for incidental take would become effective concurrent with their listing.

Construction of a 32-mile natural gas pipeline through Federal lands designated as desert tortoise critical habitat and managed by the Bureau of Land Management are also part of the High Desert Power Plant Project. The Bureau proposes to issue a right-of-way permit under the Federal Land Policy and Management Act to Southwest Gas Corporation for the construction and maintenance of this pipeline.

#### Supplemental Reports

The High Desert Power Project, Limited Liability Company, has prepared several reports required by the California Energy Commission, including an Application for Certification. The Commission is serving as the lead licensing and environmental review agency in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act. The Commission required preparation of a **Draft Biological Resources Mitigation** Implementation Plan and a Draft Erosion Control and Revegetation Plan for the High Desert Power Plant Project. These plans have been prepared for the project site and all linear facilities including the 32-mile natural gas pipeline which is also being permitted as part of the High Desert Power Plant Project. Copies of the reports may be requested by contacting Ms. Amy Cuellar at Resource Management International, Inc., 3100 Zinfandel Drive, Suite 600, P.O. Box 15516, Sacramento, California 95670-1516, or calling (916)-852-1300. Copies may also be reviewed at the following

California Energy Commission, Energy Library, 1516 Ninth Street, Sacramento, California 95814; California State Library, Government Publication Section, 914 Capitol Mall, Room 400, Sacramento, California 95814; Fresno County Library, Central Headquarters, 2420 Mariposa Street, Fresno, California 93721; Humboldt Library, 421 "I" Street, Eureka, California 95501; Norman Feldheym Central Library, 555 West Sixth Street, San Bernardino, California 92415; San Bernardino

County Library, Adelanto Branch, 11744 Bartlett Avenue, Adelanto, California 92301; San Bernardino County Library, Victorville Branch, 15011 Circle Drive, Victorville, California 92392; San Diego Public Library, 920 E Street, San Diego, California 92101; San Francisco Public Library, Civic Center, San Francisco, California 94102; UCLA, University Research Library, Public Affairs Service, 405 Hilgard Avenue, Los Angeles, California 90024; California Depository Specialist, Acquisitions—Green Library, Stanford University, Stanford, California 94305-6004.

Dated: December 15, 1998.

#### Elizabeth Stevens,

Acting Manager, California/Nevada Operations Office, Fish and Wildlife Service.

Dated: December 14, 1998.

#### Tim Read.

Field Manager, Bureau of Land Management, Barstow Field Office.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

#### **Bureau of Indian Affairs**

Indian Entities Recognized and Eligible To Receive Services From the United States Bureau of Indian Affairs

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs. **ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given of the current list of tribal entities recognized and eligible for funding and services from the Bureau of Indian Affairs by virtue of their status as Indian tribes. This notice is published pursuant to Section 104 of the Act of November 2, 1994 (Pub. L. 103-454; 108 Stat. 479). 4792).

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Daisy West, Bureau of Indian Affairs. Division of Tribal Government Services, MS-4631-MIB, 1849 C Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20240. Telephone number: (202) 208-2475.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This** notice is published in exercise of

authority delegated to the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs under 25 U.S.C. 2 and 9 and 209 DM 8. Published below are lists of federally

acknowledged tribes in the contiguous 48 states and in Alaska. The list is updated from the last such list published in October 23, 1997 (62 FR 55270), to include name changes or corrections. There have been no new tribal entities added to the list. The listed entities are acknowledged to have the immunities and privileges available

to other federally acknowledged Indian tribes by virtue of their government-to-government relationship with the United States as well as the responsibilities, powers, limitations and obligations of such tribes. We have continued the practice of listing the Alaska Native entities separately solely for the purpose of facilitating identification of them and reference to them given the large number of complex Native names.

Indian Tribal Entities Within the Contiguous 48 States Recognized and Eligible To Recieve Services From the United States Bureau of Indian Affairs

Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma

Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians of the Agua Caliente Indian Reservation, California

Ak Chin Indian Community of the Maricopa (Ak Chin) Indian Reservation, Arizona

Alabama-Coushatta Tribes of Texas Alabama-Quassarte Tribal Town, Oklahoma

Alturas Indian Rancheria, California Apache Tribe of Oklahoma Arapahoe Tribe of the Wind River Reservation, Wyoming

Aroostook Band of Micmac Indians of Maine

Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes of the Fort Peck Indian Reservation, Montana

Augustine Band of Cahuilla Mission Indians of the Augustine Reservation, California

Bad River Band of the Lake Superior Tribe of Chippewa Indians of the Bad River Reservation, Wisconsin

Bay Mills Indian Community of the Sault Ste. Marie Band of Chippewa Indians, Bay Mills Reservation, Michigan

Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria, California

Berry Creek Rancheria of Maidu Indians of California

Big Lagoon Rancheria, California Big Pine Band of Owens Valley Paiute Shoshone Indians of the Big Pine Reservation, California

Big Sandy Rancheria of Mono Indians of California

Big Valley Rancheria of Pomo & Pit River Indians of California

Blackfeet Tribe of the Blackfeet Indian Reservation of Montana Blue Lake Rancheria. California

Blue Lake Rancheria, California Bridgeport Paiute Indian Colony of California

Buena Vista Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians of California

Burns Paiute Tribe of the Burns Paiute Indian Colony of Oregon

Cabazon Band of Cahuilla Mission Indians of the Cabazon Reservation, California Cachil DeHe Band of Wintun Indians of the Colusa Indian Community of the Colusa Rancheria, California

Caddo Indian Tribe of Oklahoma Cahuilla Band of Mission Indians of the Cahuilla Reservation, California

Cahto Indian Tribe of the Laytonville Rancheria, California

Campo Band of Diegueno Mission Indians of the Campo Indian Reservation, California

Capitan Grande Band of Diegueno Mission Indians of California:

Barona Group of Capitan Grande Band of Mission Indians of the Barona Reservation, California

Viejas (Baron Long) Group of Capitan Grande Band of Mission Indians of the Viejas Reservation, California

Catawba Indian Nation (aka Catawba Tribe of South Carolina) Cayuga Nation of New York Cedarville Rancheria, California

Chemehuevi Indian Tribe of the Chemehuevi Reservation, California

Cher-Ae Heights Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria, California Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma

Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe of the

Cheyenne River Reservation, South Dakota

Chickasaw Nation, Oklahoma Chicken Ranch Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians of California

Chippewa-Cree Indians of the Rocky Boy's Reservation, Montana Chitimacha Tribe of Louisiana Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma Citizen Potawatomi Nation, Oklahoma Cloverdale Rancheria of Pomo Indians of California

Cocopah Tribe of Arizona
Coeur D'Alene Tribe of the Coeur
D'Alene Reservation, Idaho

Cold Springs Rancheria of Mono Indians of California

Colorado River Indian Tribes of the Colorado River Indian Reservation, Arizona and California

Comanche Indian Tribe, Oklahoma Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Reservation, Montana

Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation, Washington

Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation, Washington

Confederated Tribes of the Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians of Oregon

Confederated Tribes of the Goshute Reservation, Nevada and Utah

Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon

Confederated Tribes of the Siletz Reservation, Oregon

Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Reservation, Oregon

Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon

Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Indian Nation of the Yakama Reservation, Washington

Coquille Tribe of Oregon

Cortina Indian Rancheria of Wintun Indians of California

Coushatta Tribe of Louisiana

Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Indians of Oregon

Coyote Valley Band of Pomo Indians of California

Crow Tribe of Montana

Crow Creek Sioux Tribe of the Crow Creek Reservation, South Dakota

Cuyapaipe Community of Diegueno Mission Indians of the Cuyapaipe Reservation, California

Death Valley Timbi-Sha Shoshone Band of California

Delaware Tribe of Indians, Oklahoma Delaware Tribe of Western Oklahoma Dry Creek Rancheria of Pomo Indians of California

Duckwater Shoshone Tribe of the Duckwater Reservation, Nevada Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians of

North Carolina Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma Elem Indian Colony of Pomo Indians of

the Sulphur Bank Rancheria, California Elk Valley Rancheria, California

Ely Shoshone Tribe of Nevada
Enterprise Rancheria of Maidu Indians
of California

Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe of South Dakota

Forest County Potawatomi Community of Wisconsin Potawatomi Indians, Wisconsin

Fort Belknap Indian Community of the Fort Belknap Reservation of Montana

Fort Bidwell Indian Community of the Fort Bidwell Reservation of California

Fort Independence Indian Community of Paiute Indians of the Fort Independence Reservation, California

Fort McDermitt Paiute and Shoshone Tribes of the Fort McDermitt Indian Reservation, Nevada and Oregon

Fort McDowell Mohave-Apache Community of the Fort McDowell Indian Reservation, Arizona

Fort Mojave Indian Tribe of Arizona, California & Nevada

Fort Sill Apache Tribe of Oklahoma Gila River Indian Community of the Gila River Indian Reservation, Arizona

Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa &
Chippewa Indians of Michigan

Greenville Rancheria of Maidu Indians of California

Grindstone Indian Rancheria of Wintun-Wailaki Indians of California Prairie Island Indian Community of Minnesota Mdewakanton Sioux Indians of the Prairie Island Reservation, Minnesota Pueblo of Acoma, New Mexico Pueblo of Cochiti, New Mexico Pueblo of Jemez, New Mexico Pueblo of Isleta, New Mexico Pueblo of Laguna, New Mexico Pueblo of Nambe, New Mexico Pueblo of Picuris, New Mexico Pueblo of Pojoaque, New Mexico Pueblo of San Felipe, New Mexico Pueblo of San Juan, New Mexico Pueblo of San Ildefonso, New Mexico Pueblo of Sandia, New Mexico Pueblo of Santa Ana, New Mexico Pueblo of Santa Clara, New Mexico Pueblo of Santo Domingo, New Mexico Pueblo of Taos, New Mexico Pueblo of Tesuque, New Mexico Pueblo of Zia, New Mexico Puyallup Tribe of the Puyallup Reservation, Washington Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe of the Pyramid Lake Reservation, Nevada Quapaw Tribe of Indians, Oklahoma Quartz Valley Indian Community of the

Quartz Valley Reservation of Ouechan Tribe of the Fort Yuma Indian Reservation, California & Arizona Quileute Tribe of the Quileute

Reservation, Washington Quinault Tribe of the Quinault Reservation, Washington

Ramona Band or Village of Cahuilla Mission Indians of California Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin

Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians of the Red Lake Reservation, Minnesota

Redding Rancheria, California Redwood Valley Rancheria of Pomo Indians of California

Reno-Sparks Indian Colony, Nevada Resighini Rancheria, California (formerly known as the Coast Indian Community of Yurok Indians of the Resighini Rancheria)

Rincon Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Rincon Reservation. California

Robinson Rancheria of Pomo Indians of California

Rosebud Sioux Tribe of the Rosebud Indian Reservation, South Dakota

Round Valley Indian Tribes of the Round Valley Reservation, California (formerly known as the Covelo Indian Community)

Rumsey Indian Rancheria of Wintun Indians of California

Sac & Fox Tribe of the Mississippi in Iowa

Sac & Fox Nation of Missouri in Kansas and Nebraska

Sac & Fox Nation, Oklahoma

Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan, Isabella Reservation

Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community of the Salt River Reservation, Arizona

Samish Indian Tribe, Washington San Carlos Apache Tribe of the San Carlos Reservation, Arizona

San Juan Southern Paiute Tribe of Arizona

San Manual Band of Serrano Mission Indians of the San Manual Reservation, California

San Pasqual Band of Diegueno Mission Indians of California

Santa Rosa Indian Community of the Santa Rosa Rancheria, California Santa Rosa Band of Cahuilla Mission

Indians of the Santa Rosa Reservation, California

Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Mission Indians of the Santa Ynez Reservation, California

Santa Ysabel Band of Diegueno Mission Indians of the Santa Ysabel Reservation, California

Santee Sioux Tribe of the Santee Reservation of Nebraska

Sauk-Suiattle Indian Tribe of Washington

Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians of Michigan

Scotts Valley Band of Pomo Indians of California

Seminole Nation of Oklahoma Seminole Tribe of Florida, Dania, Big Cypress, Brighton, Hollywood & Tampa Reservations

Seneca Nation of New York Seneca-Cayuga Tribe of Oklahoma Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community of Minnesota (Prior Lake)

Sheep Ranch Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians of California

Sherwood Valley Rancheria of Pomo Indians of California

Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians, Shingle Springs Rancheria (Verona Tract), California

Shoalwater Bay Tribe of the Shoalwater Bay Indian Reservation. Washington

Shoshone Tribe of the Wind River Reservation, Wyoming

Shoshone-Bannock Tribes of the Fort Hall Reservation of Idaho Shoshone-Paiute Tribes of the Duck

Valley Reservation, Nevada Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe of the

Lake Traverse Reservation, South

Skokomish Indian Tribe of the Skokomish Reservation. Washington

Skull Valley Band of Goshute Indians of Utah

Smith River Rancheria, California Soboba Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Soboba Reservation, California

Sokaogon Chippewa Community of the Mole Lake Band of Chippewa Indians, Wisconsin

Southern Ute Indian Tribe of the Southern Ute Reservation, Colorado Spirit Lake Tribe, North Dakota

(formerly known as the Devils Lake Sioux Tribe)

Spokane Tribe of the Spokane Reservation, Washington

Squaxin Island Tribe of the Squaxin Island Reservation, Washington

St. Croix Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin, St. Croix Reservation

St. Regis Band of Mohawk Indians of New York

Standing Rock Sioux Tribe of North & South Dakota

Stockbridge-Munsee Community of Mohican Indians of Wisconsin Stillaguamish Tribe of Washington Summit Lake Paiute Tribe of Nevada Suguamish Indian Tribe of the Port

Madison Reservation, Washington Susanville Indian Rancheria, California Swinomish Indians of the Swinomish Reservation, Washington

Sycuan Band of Diegueno Mission Indians of California

Table Bluff Reservation—Wiyot Tribe, California

Table Mountain Rancheria of California Te-Moak Tribes of Western Shoshone Indians of Nevada (Four constituent bands: Battle Mountain Band; Elko Band; South Fork Band and Wells Band)

Thlopthlocco Tribal Town, Oklahoma Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation, North Dakota

Tohono O'odham Nation of Arizona Tonawanda Band of Seneca Indians of New York

Tonkawa Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma Tonto Apache Tribe of Arizona Torres-Martinez Band of Cahuilla

Mission Indians of California Tule River Indian Tribe of the Tule River Reservation, California

Tulalip Tribes of the Tulalip Reservation, Washington

Tunica-Biloxi Indian Tribe of Louisiana Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians of the Tuolumne Rancheria of California

Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians of North Dakota Tuscarora Nation of New York

Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of California

United Auburn Indian Community of the Auburn Rancheria of California United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee

Indians of Oklahoma

Upper Lake Band of Pomo Indians of Upper Lake Rancheria of California Upper Sioux Indian Community of the

Upper Sioux Reservation,

Minnesota

# Quinault Indian Nation

#### **PREAMBLE**

We, the Indians of the Quinault Indian Nation, in order to establish a better tribal organization; to preserve our land base, culture and identity; to safeguard our interest and general welfare; to secure the blessings of freedom and liberty for ourselves and for our posterity; and to amend our By Laws of August 22, 1922, as amended, do hereby approve and adopt this Constitution.

#### **ARTICLE I - SOVEREIGNTY**

SECTION 1 - SOVEREIGNTY: Notwithstanding the issuance of any patent, the jurisdiction and governmental power of the Quinault Nation shall extend to: (a) all lands, resources, and waters reserved to the Quinault Nation pursuant to the Treaty of Olympia, 12 Stat. 971, established by Executive Order dated November 4, 1873 (I Kapp. 923) and to all persons acting within the boundaries of those reserved lands or waters; (b) all usual and accustomed fishing grounds, open and unclaimed lands reserved for hunting and gatherings and other lands necessary for the appropriate use of fishing and hunting grounds; and all members exercising tribal hunting, gathering and fishing rights on or off the Quinault Reservation in Quinaults usual and accustomed fishing grounds or: (c) all lands or waters held by the United States in trust or reserved by the Quinault Nation for the use and benefit of any member of the Quinault Tribe when such lands or waters are not within the boundaries of an established Indian Reservation; (d) all members of the Quinault Nation while such members are within the boundaries of the United States of America or any of its Reservations, states, territories, possessions, zones, or districts; except where such jurisdiction is expressly limited by the laws of the United States; (f) offshore marine waters for a distance concurrent with the jurisdiction of the United States.

**SECTION 2 - GENERAL WELFARE:** It shall be the goal of the Quinault Nation to provide for the general safety and welfare of all persons acting by the right of membership in the Quinault Nation or acting or residing within the jurisdiction of the Quinault Nation.

#### ARTICLE II - ENROLLMENT

<u>SECTION 1 - MEMBER</u>: (a) Any person of 1/4 Quinault, Queets, Quileute, Hoh, Chinook, Chehalis, or Cowlitz blood of one of the named Tribes or combined, not a member of any other federally recognized Indian tribe. (b) Any person adopted into the Nation by a majority vote of the General Council, at a regular annual meeting of that council. The ownership of trust land on the Quinault Reservation shall be an important consideration in recommending adoption, but such ownership shall not be considered a necessary or sufficient qualification or condition for a recommendation of adoption. Adoption procedures. (1) A person applying for adoption must appear

in person to the Quinault Enrollment Office to obtain the adoption application form and petition form. (2) A person applying for adoption must have their petition signed by 50 tribal enrolled members who have registered in the past two (2) Annual General Council Meetings. This petition will remain in the Enrollment Office (This is to make sure people who have signed the petition are enrolled members). (3) The Enrollment Committee shall request the Business Committee to prepare a ballot for each applicant who has met the criteria of 1 and 2 above to be presented to the Annual General Council Meeting. (4) The petition will be posted 30 days before the Annual General Meeting. (5) Applicant must be present at the Annual General Council Meeting with one enrolled member to speak on his/her behalf. Failure to attend the meeting shall nullify the current application/petition. (6) Adoptions will not be allowed from the floor without following the above procedures.

**SECTION 2 - ENROLLMENT COMMITTEE:** (a) Membership. The enrollment committee shall consist of not less than four (4), nor more than nine (9) members of the Quinault Nation, appointed by the Business Committee. (b) Duties. The enrollment committee shall: (1) accept applications for enrollment and adoption, (2) investigate all applications for enrollment and adoption, (3) approve all applications for enrollment where applicants qualify for membership in the Quinault Nation under the provisions of this Constitution. A list of all persons approved for enrollment during the interim between annual General Council meetings shall be published and posted publicly in places determined to be appropriate to inform the general membership of pending enrollment thirty (30) days prior to the next annual General Council meeting and presented by the enrollment committee to the General Council at the next annual General Council meeting, (4) recommend to the General Council for their vote, persons approved by the enrollment committed for adoption into the Quinault Nation; a list of such persons shall be posted with the pending enrollment list, (5) participate in the interviewing and hiring of an enrollment clerk, (6) issue an official notice of denial of enrollment to any person, who, after all due investigation by the enrollment committee is found not to be qualified for enrollment in the Quinault Nation, (7) issue an official notice of denial of recommendation to any person, who, after all due investigation by the enrollment committee is found not to be acceptable for a recommendation of adoption.

<u>SECTION 3 - APPROVED APPLICANTS</u>: All persons approved for enrollment by the enrollment committee shall be considered members for all purposes until their names are presented at an annual General Council meeting; provided, persons approved for enrollment shall not be permitted to vote on the enrollment or adoption of any person.

<u>SECTION 4 - APPEALS</u>: (a) Persons denied enrollment by a final act of the enrollment committee may appeal the decision of the enrollment committee to the General Council and if denied by the General Council may appeal to the Quinault Tribal Court. Persons denied enrollment may request a recommendation of adoption. (b) Persons denied a recommendation of adoption by a final act of the enrollment committee may request that the General Council adopt them at an annual meeting of the Council. The decision of the General Council shall be final.

<u>SECTION 5 - OBJECTIONS TO ENROLLMENT</u>: Any member may object to the enrollment of any person approved for enrollment at the time the name of that person approved for enrollment is presented to the General Council by the enrollment committee. The name of the member objecting shall be recorded and that objecting member shall have ninety (90) days to present sufficient evidence to cause reexamination of the enrollment application to the enrollment committee. During

that ninety (90) day period and during any disenrollment investigation, the person objected to shall exercise the rights of a member. If ninety (90) days shall pass without sufficient evidence being presented to the enrollment committee to cause the enrollment committee to reinvestigate the application, the person objected to shall be enrolled.

SECTION 6 - DISENROLLMENT: (a) The enrollment committee shall not begin review of the enrollment of a member without first notifying a person subject to a disenrollment investigation that he or she is subject to such an investigation and allowing such person to view all evidence being used to question member status. (b) the enrollment committee in a disenrollment investigation shall follow all procedures set out herein for enrollment, including presentation of the names of any finally disenrolled person to the General Council at the next annual meeting of that Council. (c) exclusive grounds for disenrollment shall be that a person submitted fraudulent evidence in the application for enrollment in the Quinault Nation in order to qualify under the provisions of this Constitution, (d) Persons finally disenrolled shall have the right to appeal their disenrollment to the Quinault Tribal Court.

SECTION 7 - DISENROLLMENT OF ADOPTED MEMBERS: Adopted members may be disenrolled by the General Council upon recommendation of the Business Committee pursuant to the procedure established in this section when it appears that their continued enrollment is not in the best interest of the Nation. (a) The Business Committee shall have exclusive authority to initiate disenrollment proceedings against an adopted member. (b) If the Business Committee after allowing an adopted member an opportunity to be heard finds that the continued enrollment of an adopted member is not in the best interest of the Nation it may recommend disenrollment to the General Council. (c) A Business Committee recommendation of disenrollment shall be placed on the published agenda of the next annual General Council meeting in action. (d) The decision of the General Council on the question of disenrollment of an adopted member shall be final and shall not be subject to judicial review.

#### ARTICLE III - GENERAL COUNCIL

<u>SECTION 1 - MEMBERSHIP IN THE GENERAL COUNCIL</u>: All members, including adopted members of the Quinault Nation shall be members of the General Council.

<u>SECTION 2 - VOTING</u>: Members of the General Council age 18 years or more, who are present at the appointed time and place of elections shall be permitted to vote in General Council meetings.

SECTION 3 - MEETINGS: (a) The annual meeting of the General Council shall be held on the last Saturday in March at a place within the boundaries of the Quinault Reservation. (b) All meetings of the General Council shall be announced by the Business Committee by posting notices at Taholah, Queets, Amanda Park and any other place determined by the Business Committee at least ten (10) days in advance of the meeting and by publishing notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the vicinity of the Reservation. (c) Special meetings may be called by the Business Committee or by fifty (50) voting members by giving and posting the required notice. (d) The purpose of the General

Council meetings shall be to elect or recall the members of the Business Committee and to declare the will of the General Council on issues placed before the General Council by the agenda and by persons raising issues at any meeting. (e) A quorum for conducting business at any meeting shall be fifty (50) voting members. (f) The agenda for the annual meeting shall be published by the Secretary of the Tribe. All items to be placed on the published agenda shall be submitted to the Secretary thirty (30) days in advance of the annual meeting. Items on the published agenda shall be considered before the general session. A general session agenda shall be established by the Secretary. The Secretary shall accept general session agenda items no sooner than thirty (30) days before the annual meeting nor no later than the lunch break of the day of the annual meeting. (g) In addition to the annual meeting, quarterly General Council meetings may be held.

SECTION 4 - BILL OF RESERVED POWERS: The following powers shall be reserved to the General Council and the Business Committee or other agency of the Nation shall be required to obtain the advice and consent of the General Council prior to taking any action with regard to these powers. Any action the Business Committee shall take with regard to these powers without obtaining the advice and consent of the General Council shall be void and have no legal effect. (a) The relinquishment of any National criminal or civil jurisdiction to any agency, public or private; provided, that this section shall not prevent the Business Committee from commissioning non-National or non-Bureau of Indian Affairs peace officers to enforce National laws and regulations. (b) The termination of the Quinault Reservation. (c) The adoption of persons into the Nation. (d) The sale of hunting or fishing rights, grounds or stations. (e) Any other act which jeopardizes any treaty right of the Quinault Nation; or is prohibited to the Business Committee by this Constitution, or by instruction of the General Council, without prior approval of the General Council.

#### **ARTICLE IV - BUSINESS COMMITTEE**

<u>SECTION 1 - OFFICERS</u>: The officers of the Nation shall consist of the President, the Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer and seven (7) Councilmen. The said eleven (11) officers shall constitute the Business Committee of the Quinault Nation and all shall have the right to vote on issues brought before the Business Committee.

**SECTION 2 - QUORUM:** A quorum of the Business Committee shall consist of at least six (6) officers, including the President and Vice-President, and decisions shall be made by a majority vote of those present. In the absence of the President and Vice-President, no meeting shall be held unless an officer has been duly appointed by the President or the Vice-President to chair the meeting.

SECTION 3 - ELECTION: The officers shall be elected at the annual meeting of the General Council and shall serve three year staggered terms. Nominations shall be made from the floor. Election shall be by secret ballot. No absentee ballots shall be allowed. Officers shall be elected one at a time. When during the course of any General Council meeting, any presently serving officer shall be elected to fill any other position on the Business Committee, the position vacated by the election shall be immediately filled by electing another qualified person to the remainder of the term of the vacated position.

<u>SECTION 4 - QUALIFICATIONS</u>: Any enrolled member who maintains permanent residence within the Reservation boundaries, is present at the election, and is entitled to vote in the General Council, shall be eligible to be elected as an officer of the Nation, provided that no more than one brother, sister, father, mother, husband, wife or child of any person already serving as an officer may be elected as an officer. Officers moving their residence outside the boundaries of the Reservation during their term of office will be considered to have resigned from the Business Committee.

SECTION 5 - REMOVAL: (a) Any officer who is absent from three consecutive regular Business Committee meetings without an excuse acceptable to the Business Committee or who commits acts in violation of his position of trust as an officer of the Quinault Nation shall be removed from office. (b) Prior to removal pursuant to (a) above, the officer whose removal is contemplated shall be given a reasonable opportunity to answer charges and a written statement of the charges against him shall be made available to him fifteen (15) days prior to said meeting. (c) An officer who has been removed shall have the right within thirty (30) days to file an appeal to the General Council. In the event of such an appeal, the Business Committee shall promptly call a special meeting of the General Council, at which special meeting, it shall be decided whether the removed officer shall be permanently removed. Failure to obtain a quorum of the General Council at such a special meeting shall be considered affirmation of removal of any officer.

SECTION 6 - RECALL: Any officer may be removed for any reason by vote of the General Council on a recall petition, specifying the reasons for removal. A recall petition shall be signed by at least fifty (50) qualified voters, and filed with the Business Committee. Upon the filing of such a petition, the Business Committee shall promptly call a special meeting of the General Council. Written notice of the petition shall be given to the officer at least fifteen (15) days prior to the meeting, and he shall be entitled to state his case before the General Council. The decision of the General Council shall be final. Failure to obtain a quorum at such a General Council meeting shall require the dismissal of the recall petition and no new recall petition may be filed against the officer in question for a period of one year following said meeting.

<u>SECTION 7 - VACANCIES</u>: Vacancies on the Business Committee shall be filled no more than sixty (60) days following the occurrence of a vacancy by a 2/3 vote of a quorum of the remaining officers; provided, that such appointee is a voting member of the Nation and is otherwise qualified. The vacancy shall be filled by election at the next General Council meeting for the remainder of the existing term. No person not elected to the Business Committee by the General Council shall be appointed to the position of President or Vice-President.

<u>SECTION 8 - MEETINGS</u>: Regular open meetings of the Business Committee shall be held at least once in each month on a regular schedule set by the Business Committee. Special meetings may be called on a reasonable notice to all officers. Executive sessions of the Business Committee may be held on majority vote of the Committee. All regular meetings shall be held within the boundaries of the Quinault Reservation.

**SECTION 9 - BY LAWS:** The Business Committee shall by ordinance adopt its own procedures and duties of officers, except as herein provided.

# ARTICLE V - POWER AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

SECTION 1 - GENERAL: It shall be the duty of the Business Committee to govern all people, resources, lands, and waters under the jurisdiction of or reserved to the Quinault Nation in accordance with this Constitution, the Quinault Tribal Code of laws, the Quinault Treaty, the laws of the United States expressly limiting the powers of the Quinault Nation, and the instructions of the General Council. Any rights, powers and authority expressed, implied, or inherent vested in the Nation but not expressly referred to in this Constitution shall not be abridged by this Article, but shall be exercised by the Business Committee or the General Council by the adoption of appropriate ordinances and agreements.

<u>SECTION 2 - LAWS</u>: The Business Committee shall have the power to enact laws for the welfare of the Nation; provided, however, that such laws are not in conflict with this Constitution, and that public hearings be held on each such law prior to their adoption.

**SECTION 3 - POWERS:** The Business Committee shall have the power: (a) To enter into agreements on behalf of the Nation with federal, state, and local governments or agencies, and other public and/or private organizations or persons; provided, that these agreements are not in conflict within this Constitution, the instructions of the General Council, or the laws of the Quinault Nation. (b) To provide for the execution and enforcement of the laws of the Quinault Nation; and to establish an independent Tribal Court, and to provide by law for its jurisdiction, procedures, and appointment or election of its judges; and to charter and regulate associations, corporations for profit and not for profit, towns, special districts, schools, religious institutions, financial institutions and all other entities; and to establish National enterprises as branches of the National government. (c) To levy and collect taxes on members and other persons or entities within the National jurisdiction; provided, that no tax shall be levied on trust real property; further provided that no tax shall be levied without holding public hearings convenient in time and place to all members of the Quinault Nation and those subject to its jurisdiction; to determine the need for, and effect of, such a tax. (d) To assert the defense of sovereign immunity in suits brought against the Nation and to waive the said defense by agreement where National realty or personalty not held in trust by the United States is pledged or when property held in trust by the United States is pledged with the consent of the United States. (e) To govern the sale, disposition, and lease of tribally owned assets, and to provide for the zoning and other land use regulation of all lands within the boundaries of the Reservation and the jurisdiction of the Quinault Nation; and for the purity, volume, and use of all water to which the Quinault Nation and the Quinault people are entitled; and for the purity of the air within the Quinault Reservation. (f) To manage, lease, permit, sell, or otherwise deal with tribally owned lands, tribally owned interests in lands, water rights, fishing stations, mineral rights, hunting grounds, fish and wildlife resources; or other tribally owned assets, and to purchase or otherwise acquire lands or interests in lands within or without the Reservation, and to hold those lands in tribal or federal trust and to regulate allotted trust and nontrust lands within the Reservation boundaries insofar as such regulation is not prohibited by federal law and does not violate the rights of owners; provided, that tribally owned lands held in trust by the United States shall not be sold or encumbered unless authorized by the General Council. The authority to manage National lands and timber may be delegated to a special committee or committees. (g) To engage in any business that will further the economic well being of the Nation and of the members of the Nation, or undertake any program or projects designed for the economic advancement of the people or the Nation; and to regulate the conduct of all business activities with the Reservation boundaries. (h) To borrow money from the federal government or other sources, to direct the use of such funds of productive purposes, and to pledge or assign chattels or income due or to become due. (i) 1--To administer any funds within the control of the Nation in accordance with an approved National budget; to make expenditures from available funds for tribal purposes including salaries and expenses of tribal employees or officials, 2--The Business Committee shall prepare an annual Nation budget, 3--This budget shall include all normal operating expenses, any special projects or expenditures contemplated by the Nation, 4--All expenditures of tribal funds by the Business Committee shall be authorized by it or by the General Council in legal session and the amounts so expended shall be a matter of public record. 5--The Business Committee shall have authority to approve amendments to the Nation's annual budget for special appropriations in any budget year. 6--The approved budget shall be posted at the National Business Office in Taholah, Queets, and the Post Office in Taholah. (j) To provide for an escheat in order that real and personal property of members who die intestate and without heirs shall revert to the Nation. (k) To manage. protect and preserve the wildlife and natural resources of the Nation and to regulate hunting, fishing, including shellfishing, and trapping within the jurisdiction of the Nation. This power may be delegated to a special committee or committees. (I) On petition by fifty (50) voting members of the Nation or on its own motion, the Business Committee shall, within a reasonable time, hold a general membership election by secret ballot on any issue. (m) All officers and employees of the Nation who have possession of tribal funds shall account for same periodically to the Business Committee. All officers and employees handling National funds shall be bonded. There shall be an annual audit of the National funds handled by National officers or employees to be performed by the Bureau of Indian Affairs or Certified Public Accountants. (n) To condemn land or interest in lands for public purposes within the boundaries of the Reservation; provided that owners of the lands condemned shall be paid the fair market value of such lands and any timber or buildings thereon. (o) To exact all laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into execution any power delegated to the Business Committee or delegated to any person or committee under the supervision of the Business Committee. (p) To govern the inheritance of real and personal property owned by members.

#### **ARTICLE VI - RATIFICATION**

This Constitution shall go into effect when ratified by two thirds (2/3) of all members eligible to vote, present and voting at a General Council meeting at which a debate and vote on this Constitution has been placed on the agenda. All enrolled members of the Quinault Nation shall be notified of such a General Council meeting at least thirty (30) days prior to such a meeting, and the notice provided shall make specific reference to the proposed ratification of this Constitution. Election of officers provisions shall not take effect until the annual meeting of the General Council following the adoption of this Constitution.

#### **ARTICLE VII - AMENDMENT**

**SECTION 1:** This Constitution may be amended by a two thirds (2/3) vote of a quorum of the General Council at an annual or special meeting provided, however, that the notice of the meeting at which an amendment is proposed shall be given at least thirty (30) days before the meeting, and

shall set forth the proposed amendment and an explanation thereof; and provided further that after discussion of the amendment at the meeting there shall be a recess of at least 30 minutes to enable the members to further discuss the amendment among themselves.

<u>SECTION 2</u>: The Business Committee shall call a meeting to consider a proposed amendment upon its own motion, or upon receipt of a petition signed by fifty (50) voting members or upon resolution of the General Council.

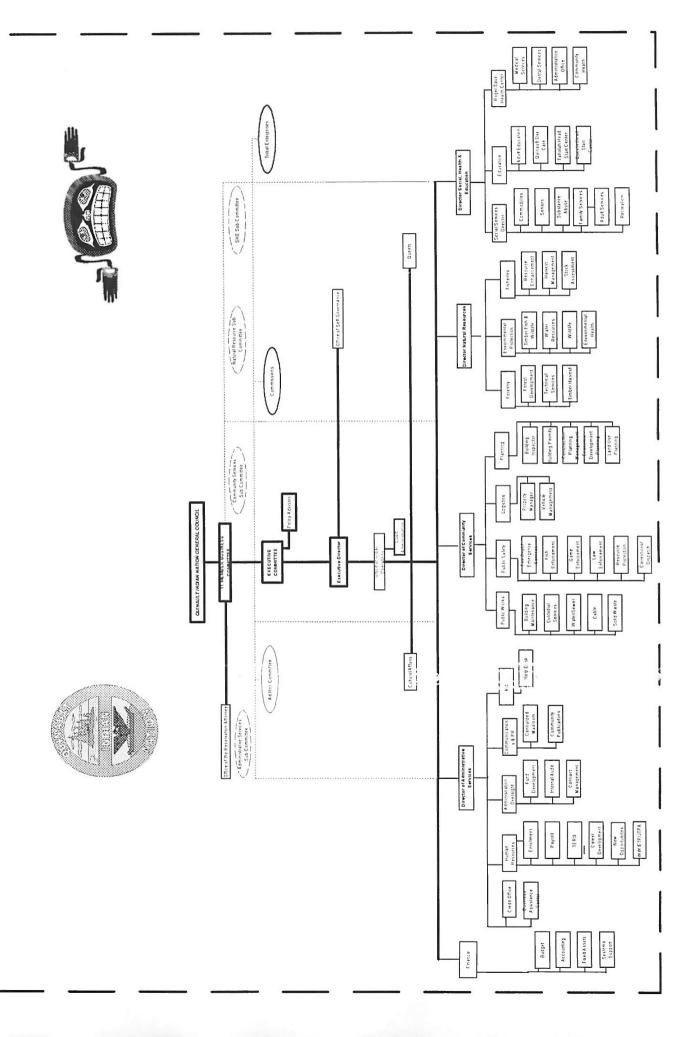
#### ARTICLE VIII - ENFORCEABILITY

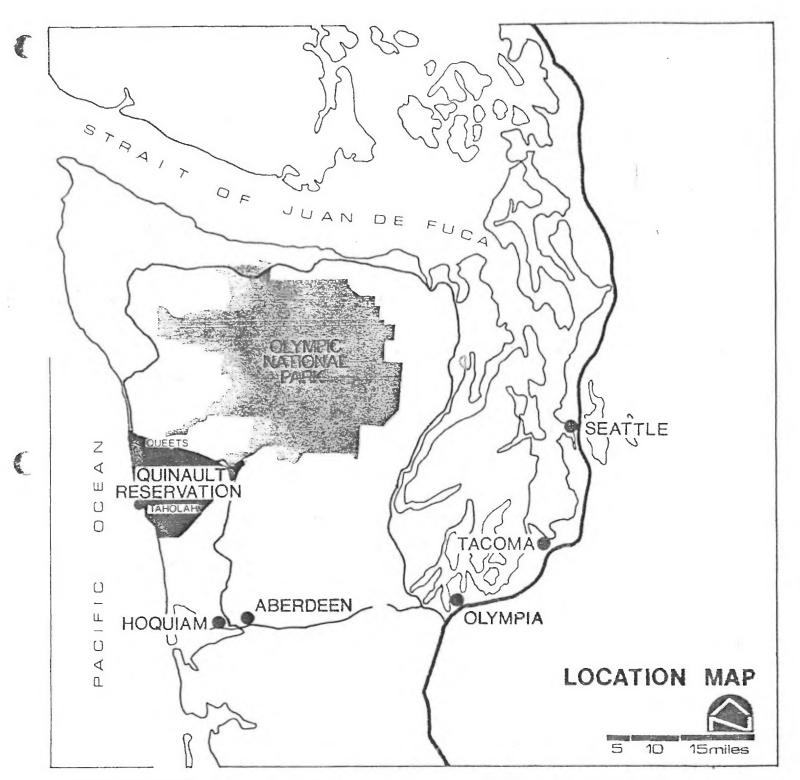
The provisions of the Constitution shall be enforceable exclusively in the Quinault Tribal Court and in the Federal Courts of the United States where provided by federal law, and shall not be enforceable in any other court, except where the Quinault Tribe brings suit in its own name in any other Court. This section shall not be interpreted as a consent to suit or waiver of sovereign immunity by the Quinault Indian Nation.

#### ARTICLE IX - APPROVAL OF SECRETARY OF INTERIOR

The Secretary of the Interior shall have the power to review actions taken pursuant to the herein named powers and all other National powers, but only in those cases and only to the extent that the Secretary has been given such powers of review by express statutory command of the Congress of the United States.

**ADOPTED MARCH 22, 1975** 





Location Map Showing the Quinault Reservation in Relation to Western Washington.

Cover: The mouth of the Quinault River from the E.L. Curtis collection, 1912.

#### **Quinault Business Committee**

#### RESOLUTION #00 142 - 77

WHEREAS, the Quinault Business Committee is the recognized governing body of the Quinault Indian Nation under the authority of the Quinault Indian Nation's Constitution adopted by the Quinault General Council on March 22nd, 1975; and

WHEREAS, the Quinault Business Committee has the constitutional authority to enact laws for the welfare of the Quinault Indian Nation, and

WHEREAS, The Quinault Indian Nation, pursuant to it's own inherent tribal sovereignty and powers of self government is capable of exercising its power and authority to protect tribal members and tribally held resources; and

WHEREAS, The Quinault Indian Nation Business Committee finds that it is both appropriate and necessary to provide for emergency powers for the protection of Quinault tribal members and treaty resources from imminent and substantial dangers arising out of pollutants to air, soils and waters of the Quinault Indian Reservation; and

WHEREAS, the Quinault Business Committee finds that it has authority to authorize the President of the Quinault Indian Nation to exercise certain emergency powers on behalf of the Nation in certain circumstances; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Quinault Business Committee hereby authorizes the President of the Quinault Indian Nation to exercise the following emergency powers where the conditions dictate that immediate and necessary action as follows:

The President may, upon receipt of evidence that pollution sources or combination of sources is presenting an imminent and substantial endangerment to the health of tribal members within the boundaries of the Quinault Indian Reservation; or to the welfare of tribal members where such endangerment is to the subsistence or other hunting, fishing, trapping, or other gathering rights exercised by Quinault tribal members, bring suit on behalf of the Nation in the Tribal Court or other court of competent jurisdiction and venue to immediately restrain and enjoin any person or persons causing or

contributing to the alleged pollution to cease the discharge of pollutants; cease causing or contributing to such pollution; or to take such other action as may be lawful and necessary for the protection of the health of Quinault tribal members or tribally held resource.

For the purposes of this resolution, pollution means those substances defined as pollution or pollutants within the Federal Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. § 1251 et seq.)

Pearl Capoeman-Baller, President Quinault Indian Nation

Certification

> Marjorie Valdillez, Secretary Quinault Business Committee

## QUINAULT BUSINESS COMMITTEE SIGN OFF SHEET FOR

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